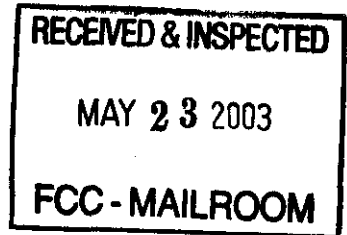




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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45 - Annual Carrier Certification Due June 30, 2003

This is to certify that Lost Nation-Elwood Telephone Company will use its Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above. This certification is for the study area(s) listed below:

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Study Area Code</u>
Lost Nation-Elwood Telephone Company	Iowa	351229
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